



**United States Agency For International Development**  
**Regional Mission For Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova**

AMENDMENT NO. 1 to RFA 121-03-001

**AGRICULTURE MARKETING IN UKRAINE**

The purpose of this amendment No. 1 is to provide answers to questions received regarding the subject RFA. This amendment does not extend the closing date stated in the RFA.

The following Questions and Answers are hereby included in the RFA:

Question 1. Could you please confirm your understanding of Ukraine's 3 agro-climatic zones? There has been some variation in the interpretation of the borders of these zones by agriculturalists with whom we have communicated.

**Answer:** Please be advised that the Ukrainian agro-climatic zones are the following:

- 1) Polissia and Karpathians Zone ( 7 oblasts, North of Ukraine): 26% of the total area. The main characteristics are the following:

Active annual temperature – 2400-2600 degrees C

Annual precipitation – 550-700 mm

Soils – grain

Underground waters/moisture – a lot (need special melioration)

This zone includes the following oblasts:

- Volun
- Zhitomir
- Zakarpatska
- Ivano-Frankivsk
- Lviv
- Rivno
- Chernigiv

- 2) Lisosteep Zone ( 9 oblasts, Middle of Ukraine)- 34% of the total area

This is a good zone for the stable and effective agriculture and it has the following characteristics:

Active annual temperature – 2600-2800 degrees C

Annual precipitation – 450-650 mm

Soils – black (chernozem)

Underground waters/moisture – middle

This zone includes the following oblasts:

- Vinnitsa
- Kyiv
- Poltava
- Symy
- Ternopil
- Kharkiv
- Khmelnytsk
- Cherkassy
- Chernivtsy

3) Steep Zone ( 8 oblasts and Crimea , South of Ukraine) – 40 % of the total area

The main characteristics are the following:

Active annual temperature –2900-3400 degrees C

Annual precipitation – 450-350 mm

Soils – black and brown

Underground waters/moisture – lack of moisture (need irrigation)

This zone includes the following oblasts:

- Crimea
- Dnipropetrovsk
- Donetsk
- Zaporizhia
- Kirovograd
- Lygansk
- Mykolayv
- Odesa
- Kherson

Question 2. Could you please confirm the original Ukrainian-language names of the women's organizations Union of Village Women and Board of Women's Associations,

which are specified on page 19 in Section VI of the RFA? Also, do you have any contact information for the Kyiv offices of these organizations?

**Answer:** Please note that **UNION of VILLAGE WOMEN** (they have office only in Poltava Oblast) official Ukrainian name is **“Сполучення сільських жінок”** (Ukrainian name of the organization is **“Сполучення сільських жінок”**)

Chairman person : Skarga Galina Petrivna (Ukrainian name of the person is **Скарга Галина Петрівна**)  
Address: Poltavskaya oblast, Zinkevskiy rayon, village Lutenski Budischa  
Ukrainian name of the address is **Полтавська область, Зінкевський район, село Лутенські Будішча**  
Tel.fax/phone 8-(05353) 31364, or 31093, or 99596

**Board of Women Association** (they have office only in Odesa ) – **“Асоціація жінок”**  
Ukrainian name of the organization is **“Асоціація жінок”**

Chairman person: Klebanova Lydmila Gennadievna (Ukrainian name of the person is **Клебанова Людмила Геннадіївна**)  
Address: Odessa – 65069, 35, Zabolotnogo str., office 137  
Ukrainian name of the address is **Одеса – 65069, вул. Заболотного, 35, офіс 137**  
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Question 3. On page 18, the RFA speaks to farmer cooperatives and associations "may be eligible to receive one-time grants of up to \$25,000..." Further down, it states that matching support from a recipient group will normally be required. Can the recipient groups' matching contributions be counted as part of the 10% Cost Share Requirement for this RFA?

**Answer:** In accordance with ADS 303.5.10a, Agreement Officer approval is required to permit a subrecipient's cost share to count towards the prime's cost share contribution. The Agreement Officer has no intention to approve the use of a subrecipient's cost share to count towards the prime recipient's total non-federal contribution to the prime award. As such, applications should be written accordingly.

Question 4. For final hard copy submission of an RFA response/proposal, is an electronic or digital signature of a company/applicant officer valid for submission?

**Answer:** Yes, electronic or digital signature is valid for submission.

Question 5. For final hard copy submission, is there a requirement for 8.5 x 11 paper, or A4 type paper? Is there a requirement for a specific font size (e.g. greater than 11 pt. font)?

**Answer:** No, there is no mandatory requirement for paper and font size.